Dear FCC,

I wish to register my complete support for RM-10867, the ARRL proposal for Amateur Radio license restructuring. Since WRC 2003 amended article 25 of the International Radio Regulations to remove the Morse Code requirement for Amateur HF operation, many countries have removed their requirement as well. The US remains one of the last countries to retain this requirement.

The ARRL proposal, although not perfect, appears to be a reasonable compromise. I have no objection to continuing to require a 5 word per minute manual telegraphy requirement only for the Extra class license. It makes no sense whatsoever to retain this requirement for the other proposed license classes. Likewise, grandfathering existing Novice and Technician licensees into the restructured General class, and grandfathering existing Advanced licensees into the restructured Extra class license seems like a logical compromise to me.

I urge you to adopt this proposal as soon as possible. The US should not be one of the last countries to remove the archaic Morse Code requirement.

Respectfully submitted Benjamin Bass, N2YDM